goal of Health for all by 2000 A.D. It is also envisaged to provide one trained Dai and one Health Guide for every village/1000 rural population. The main functions of primary Health Centres/Sub-centres include the preventive and promotive health services through health education, maternal and child health and family planning education, motivation and provision of services for the family planning programme.

It is proposed to expand the existing health infrastructure during the 7th Plan period. The allocation for the 7th Five Year Plan for central health sector have not yet been finalised.

Admission of Scheduled Tribe students in the medical colleges under the Delhi University

1956. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of students belonging to the Scheduled Tribes who have been selected for admission in the medical colleges under the Delhi University for M.B.B.S. course for the current year;

(b) the number of seats reserved in the above medical colleges for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes during the current year, separately; and

(c) whether all the seats in the medical colleges reserved for the Scheduled Tribes by the Delhi University have been filled up?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) The list of candidates selected for admission to the medical course in Delhi has not yet been announced.

(b) The University has reserved 15% seats for Scheduled Castes and 7½% for Scheduled Tribes in the three medical colleges in Delhi. The total number of seats so reserved is 92.

(c) Does not arise as the admissions have not so far been finalised.

Number of blind persons in the country

1957. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared in the "Times of India" on the 28th June, 1985 under the heading "55,000 go blind in West Bengal every year"; and

(b) if so, what is the number of persons becoming blind in other States, yearly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir, the news item appeared in the *Times of India* dated 29th May, 1985.

(b) No survey has yet been carried out to ascertain yearly incidence of blindness in the country.

Healthr guides in different States in the country

1058. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) How many health guides have been working in different States at present:

(b) whether his Ministry has sent guidelines to the State Governments to appoint more number of health guides in backward and remote areas; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the different State Govts. in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The State-wise number of health guides trained as on 31-3-85 in all the States/

Union Territories except J. & K., Kerala, Tamil Nadu & Arunachal Pradesh which are not implementing Health Guide Scheme, is enclosed as statement.

(b) and (c) Guidelines have been issued to the State/Union Territories to select health guides, one for every 1,000 rural population/every village including backward & remote areas.

Statement

State/U. T.	
1. Andhra Pradesh	31534
2. Assam	17634
3. Bihar	10000
4. Gujarat	22852
5. Haryana	10280
6. Himachal Pradesh	4418
7. J & K	
8. Karnataka	13716
9. Kerala	—
10. Madhya Pradesh	36057
11. Maharashtra	43774
12. Manipur	1718
13. Meghalaya	2029
14. Nagaland	340
15. Orissa	22495
16. Punjab	10906
17. Rajasthan	13878
18. Sikkim	345
19. Tamil Nadu	—
20. Tripura	1860
21. Uttar Pradesh	82855
22. West Bengal	41199
23. A&N Islands	346
24. Arunachal Pradesh	—
25. Chandigarh	25
26. D&N Haveli	74
27. Delhi	160
28. Goa, Daman & Diu	884
29. Lakshdweep	42
30. Mizoram	719
31. Pondicherry	278
TOTAL :	370418

U.P. projects pending clearance by the Central Water and Power Commission

1959. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the projects from U.P pending clearance by the Central Water and Power Commission;

(b) the time since when these are under consideration; and

(c) the time by when these projects will be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) 26 major and one medium irrigation projects of Uttar Pradesh received in Central Water Commission are under correspondence with the State Government for clearance. Their names and date of initial receipt in Central Water Commission are as below. Clearance of these projects will depend on the time taken by the State Government in furnishing clarifications to the observations of Central Water Commission for establishing their techno-economic viability, in obtaining environmental clearances and in sorting out the related inter-State issues.